

# Transportation News

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## **IDOT reschedules Public Meeting concerning refined improvement alternatives of Illinois Route 131 from Russell Road to Sunset Avenue**

Beach Park – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will conduct a fourth Public Meeting concerning a study for the potential improvement of Illinois Route 131 from Russell Road to Sunset Avenue. The scope of the project is to identify improvements and a range of alternatives needed to accommodate existing and projected year 2030 traffic.

The Public Meeting (open house format) will be held on:

Wednesday, March 23, 2011  
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Beach Park Middle School  
Multi-Purpose Room  
40667 North Green Bay Road  
Beach Park, IL 60099

Due to inclement weather on the originally scheduled date of February 3, 2011, the meeting was rescheduled to ensure all interested persons were given the opportunity to participate.

IDOT has designated this project for its development using the principles of Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS). CSS is a collaborative, interdisciplinary approach that involves all stakeholders to develop cost-effective transportation solutions that fit into the project's surroundings and preserve the scenic, aesthetic, historic and

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environmental resources while maintaining safety and mobility. IDOT is looking for focused and direct input from the community in understanding the community's transportation needs and concerns in development of the study. The purpose of the meeting will be to obtain feedback on two refined project alternatives developed to address the needs of the study area.

Exhibits that define the alternatives will be on display and an audio-visual presentation will be shown continuously during the course of the Public Meeting. IDOT and project consultant personnel will be available to discuss the project and answer any questions. This project is not included in IDOT's Fiscal Year 2011-2016 Proposed Highway Improvement Program, but will be considered in future programs based on funding availability and project readiness.

This meeting will be accessible to handicapped individuals. Anyone needing special assistance should contact Marnell Morse at (847) 705-4107. Persons planning to attend who will need a sign language interpreter or other similar accommodations should notify the Department's TTY/TTD number (800) 526-0844 / or 711; TTY users (Spanish) (800) 501-0864 or 711; and for Telebraille dial (877) 526-6670 at least five days prior to the meeting.

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